



Student Election Judge Trainee Program

The City of Bloomington (City) offers a Student Election Judge Trainee Program for students who live in or near the City and who will be 16 years old by Election Day. It is provided in accordance with MN Stat. §204B.19 subd. 6.

Election judge trainees work in the polling places with election judges. Trainees may work a shift between 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., although parents/guardians may prefer that students begin their shift after school hours.

Requirements

- High School Student, age 16 or older (be enrolled in a high school or home-school in Hennepin County, Minnesota)
- Acceptable academic performance (must provide a letter of recommendation from a teacher or principal)
- U.S. citizen
- Attend a 3 hour training class by the City Clerk's Office
- Have the approval of their parent(s) and school
- Be willing to serve in a patient, honest, and impartial manner
- Cannot be related to another judge in the same precinct
- Cannot be a son, stepson, daughter, stepdaughter of a candidate of the election
- Able to read, write, and speak English

Duties (working under the supervision of the polling place election judges)

- Determine whether a voter is in the correct precinct
- Distribute registration applications to voters
- Instruct voters how to complete a voter registration application
- Distribute ballots
- Answer general questions about the voting process
- Help the voting process as needed
- Operate the election equipment (ballot counter, ballot box, ePollbooks, and AutoMARK)

Rewards

- Obtain understanding and practical knowledge of voting laws in Minnesota
- Earn \$9 per hour (training and Election Day)
- Receive Community Service and Leadership Credit
- Learn workplace etiquette skills

Eligibility for Payment

Selected student judges must complete and turn in the following forms to the City Clerk's Office:

1) Election Judge Trainee Application & Permission Slip

2) **Due date to be returned is: June 1, 2016 for the Primary Election
September 23, 2016 for the General Election**

Election Judge Trainee Application & Permission Slip

For Parents or Guardians

I give my permission for _____ to participate as an Election Judge Trainee for the City of Bloomington. I understand that my child must attend a paid training class provided by the City Clerk's Office, work on Election Day, and have transportation to and from the polling place. I further understand that our names, addresses and phone numbers are being requested in order to communicate training and work information related to this opportunity. The City of Bloomington will secure this private data.

Parent/Guardian's printed name _____

Daytime Phone _____

Address _____

Parent/Guardian's signature _____

For Students

I certify that I, _____, will be 16 years old or older on Election Day, am a U.S. Citizen, able to read, write and speak English, have the permission of my school and parents, am not related to a candidate or another judge serving in the same precinct, and will endeavor to serve in a patient, honest, and impartial manner. Further, I understand that I am serving without a political party designation.

Student's Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Student's Email _____

Student's Signature _____

Check the following:

- ☐ I am able to attend training at Bloomington Civic Plaza.
Dates TBD. (You will be paid for your training)
- ☐ I am able to serve as a student election judge on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 for the Primary Election.
- ☐ I am able to serve as a student election judge on Tuesday, November 8, 2016 for the General Election.

Please answer the following questions:

1. Are you able to work in a precinct location other than your own? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If yes: Precincts preferred _____

No guarantee can be given to work in your "home" precinct, but City staff will endeavor to assign students close to home. Please see the map of polling locations:

<http://www.ci.bloomington.mn.us/cityhall/dept/techserv/clerk/vote/votesite.htm>

2. Which shift are you available to work?

☐ 6:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. ☐ 2:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. ☐ Both

3. I have attached a letter of recommendation from a teacher or principal to this application.